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Mr. John L. Cronkrite
 Executive Secretary
 Army Board on Correction of Military Records
 The Pentagon

Dear Mr. Cronkrite:

The following information concerning the civilian service record of Mr. William F. Friedman, an employee of this Agency, is furnished as requested:

1. a. A detailed record showing his attendance and leave from 31 December 1940 to 31 December 1946 is not available in this Agency, nor is it obtainable elsewhere, since such records more than two years old are destroyed, as required by pertinent regulations. A review of Mr. Friedman's official 201 file was made, however, and no indication or record of any unusual usage of either annual or sick leave was found within the period in question.

b. A copy of the official statement of his Federal Service is attached (Inclosure 1); there is also attached (Inclosure 2) a copy of a memorandum dated 2 November 1944 from Captain Donald Phillips, Certifying Officer, to Mr. Friedman, setting forth additional items of his service record, these showing in-grade increases and other actions not normally included in the Federal Service record. Both inclosures show that on 23 December 1940 Mr. Friedman went on military furlough, and that on 16 April 1941 he returned to civilian duty. The foregoing information together with that given in the next three paragraphs below warrant the belief that he was not only able to carry out his duties from 16 April 1941 to 31 December 1946, but also that he was able to do so creditably enough to warrant his being granted several awards and promotions.

2. Four Civilian Awards were received by Mr. Friedman for the World War II period, as follows:

a. Army Service Forces Commendation for Meritorious Civilian Service, 15 January 1944, presented by Lt. General Somervell, USA.

b. War Department Commendation for Exceptional Civilian Service, 14 March 1944, signed by Henry Stimson, Secretary of War.

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c. Medal to Civilian for Overseas Duty, 20 January 1945, presented by W. Preston Carpenter, Colonel, Signal Corps.

d. United States of America Medal for Merit, for Extraordinary Fidelity and exceptionally meritorious conduct, 8 February 1946, signed by President Harry S. Truman as Commander-in-Chief.

3. Efficiency and Performance Ratings for Mr. Friedman for the period 1 April 1941 through 30 November 1949, were "Excellent." For the period 30 November 1949 to the present time, his ratings have been "Satisfactory" (the Performance Rating Act of 1950 provides for only three levels of official adjective ratings: "Outstanding," "Satisfactory," and "Unsatisfactory").

4. Salary Change Record for Mr. Friedman for the period 1 October 1941 to date:

1 Oct 41 - Promotion from Cryptanalyst, P-6, \$5300 p.a. to Principal Cryptanalyst, P-6, \$6000 p.a.
 9 Apr 42 - Promotion to Head Cryptanalyst, P-7, \$6500 p.a.
 24 Nov 42 - Promotion to Director, Communications Research, P-8, \$8000 p.a.
 16 Mar 44 - Meritorious within grade promotion to P-8, \$8250 p.a.
 20 Oct 46 - Pay Act of 1946, Salary Act of 1946, and Classification Act of 1949 increased salary to \$10,500 p.a.
 20 Oct 49 - Periodic Step Increase, 25-31, \$10,750 p.a.
 24 Oct 51 - Pay Act - 1949, \$11,500 p.a.

FOR THE DIRECTOR:

ALFRED L. SHAW
Colonel, US Army
Chief of Staff

2 Items:

1. Statement of Federal Service
2. Memo, dtd 2 Apr 44

cc: AG
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N/R: Self-explanatory.

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